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Applicants: Goicoechea et al.

Serial No.: 08/461,402

Filed: 06/05/95

Title: BIFURCATED ENDOLUMINAL
PROSTHESIS

Accorded Benefit of: European
Applications EP9440284.9 filed
02/09/94 and EP94401306.9 filed
06/10/94; and U.S. Serial No.
08/317,763 filed 10/04/94, now
Patent No. 5,609,627 issued
03/11/97

The case referred to above has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences because it is adjudged to interfere with other cases hereafter specified. Attention is directed to the fact that this interference is declared pursuant to 37 CFR 1.601 et seq., effective February 11, 1985 (49 F.R. 48416. 1050 O.G. 385). The interference is designated as No. 104,192.

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Attachment
(37 CFR § 1.611(c))

The cases involved in this interference are:

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Patent: 5,575,817 issued 11/19/96, Serial No.
08/293,541 filed 08/19/94

Title: AORTO FEMORAL BIFURCATION GRAFT AND METHOD OF
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Title: APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR ENDOLUMINAL GRAFT PLACEMENT

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Count 1

An apparatus for reinforcing a bifurcated lumen
comprising:

a first section, configured to be positioned within the
lumen, comprising:

an upper limb, configured to fit within the lumen
upstream of the bifurcation;

a first lower limb, configured to extend into a first
leg of said bifurcation when said first section is positioned in
the lumen, and

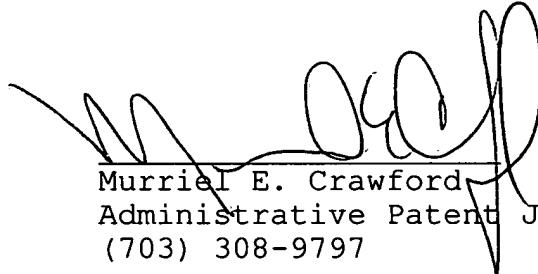
a second lower limb, shorter than said first lower limb, and configured so that when said first section is positioned in the lumen, said second lower limb does not extend into a second leg of said bifurcation.

The claims of the parties which correspond to this count are:

Martin : Claims 2-17

Fogarty : Claims 27-69

Goicoechea et al : Claims 55, 59, 62-65, 88 and 90


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**INTERFERENCE
DIGEST**

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Interference with Martin and Fogarty et al.

DECISION ON MOTIONS

Examiner-in-Chief, _____ Dated, _____

FINAL DECISION

Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, adverse Dated, 7/27/01

Court, _____ Dated, _____

REMARKS
